Competitive Bidding

Doubles

Solid t/o double

(1m) X can be short in om

After X/XX = points, 1st X t/o subsequent X penalty Mandatory support X/XX through 2M

Overcalls to (semi-)natural openings and responses

1lvl 8+, 5card suit, can be light

2lvl no jump, 11+, usually 6 card suit, solid

| 1NT-Overcall | 15-18 |
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| Responses | System on |
| Sandwich | 15-18 |
| Balancing | 11-14(16) |

Jump overcalls

Jump overcalls: preemptive, dependent on vul and if partner is passed

Two-suiters:

Michaels

Unusual NT

| VS. 1NT Opening |
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X pen (passed 5m4M)

2♣ both M

2 • 6+ M

2♥/♠ 5-4 M + m 2NT both m VS. 1NT Overcall

X points

2♣ both M

2x natural

VS. Preempts

(non)Leaping Michaels

VS. Artificial strong openings (1♣, 2♣)

X Ms, 1NT ms, everything else nat aggressive

Other notes

2NT in comp is nearly never natural (gf with M-fit, Lebensohl, scrambling)

| Leads and Signals | | |
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| Opening leads style | | |
| VS. Suit | 1/3/5 | |
| VS. NT | 2/4 with attitude | |
| Partner's Suit | 3/5; attitude if raised | |
| Subsequent | Attitude | |
| Note: | Leads can be creative | |

Leads by card

| Lead | VS. Suit | VS. NT | |
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| A K | Vs game/pre: A for Att, K for count | King Power: Count or unblock. Q may be from | |
| Q | T (:) | "weak" KQ Else: Top from (inner) Sequence | |
| J | Top from (inner) Sequence | | |
| 10 | Dequence | | |
| 9 | 9x, HH9(x) | H9x, H98(+) | |
| х | Xx, xxX, xxxxX | HxX,HXx, HxxX(), xX | |

Signals in order of priority

| VS | Prio | Lead by | | Discards |
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| | | Partner | Decl/Dummy | |
| t | 1 | Attitude | Count | Italian Lavinthal* |
| Suit | 2 | Count | Attitude | Count |
| | 3 | S/P | S/P | S/P |
| NT | 1 | Attitude | Reverse Smith | Italian Lavinthal* |
| | 2 | Count | Count | Count |
| | 3 | S/P | S/P | Attitude |

Special signals

| Later Count | Original |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| Attitude | UDCA (low = enc) |
| Count | UDCA (low = even) |
| In the trump suit | Hi-lo might be for higher suit |
| NT: Smith | Reverse (low pos) |

*Italian Lavinthal:

Even card is S/P

Odd card is positive attitude for that suit

DBV Convention Card







Ece Aga & Charlotte Baumgart

General approach

2/1 gf

5 card Majors

15-17 NT may be a little creative

1♣ can have up to 5 bad diamonds

Special bids that may require defence

| 2♦ | Destructive preempt in a M |
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| 2M | Constructive weak two in a M |
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Forcing Pass

In GF, after pen X, XX 10+

Important notes that don't fit elsewhere

Usually penalty from 3rd X up

Trial bids

Long suit/Help suit trial bids

Openings and responses Negative-X up to Min. No. of cards Artificial Opening Passed hand or Description **Subsequent auction** Responses competitive bidding 1. \boxtimes 2 Shows bal hand, 44 poss 1**-**1♦♥-1NT Walsh style, inverted minors 1NT 6-10 2-lvl Jumps Weak J/S 10-22 11-12 4 2NT 1 🔷 TWCB over most 1-1-1 situations but 1C 1R 1M 1♦ - 2♣ Gf, 4+ ♣s 5 1NT 6-11(12), nonforcing 2NT: 3NT semibal, 14-16 1♥ 10-22 4X 6+ trumps + 3. anv min GF 2/1 shortness in X 3 ony 17+ 5 1♥ - 2♠ Weak J/S, 4-7 1♠ 4M either 6 card trump 2 🕭 Drury 3♥ any void, 14-16 10-22 1♠ - 2NT 4card M, gf no shortness or 1- Y 3♠ any stiff,14-16 2. Stayman 1NT 2NT ♦ any, or both m wk 15-17 might be a little creative 2♦/♥ Transfer M 3♣ Puppet Stayman 24 range ask or 4 3♦ both Ms inv+ X 2. Strongest 2 usual relay, every other bid shows two top honors 22+ bal 2♥ Kokish either 2NT 24+ NT or opening in that suit and usually 6+ cards SF in M gameforcing in 🛡 Any gf \boxtimes 2 Troll-Multi, destructive preempt in 2♥ paco 4. transfer into M 2NT: min ♥, min ♠, max ♠, max ♥, a M, strongly dependent on vul 2♠ paco 2 (X) XX paco 4♦ bid your M after max answer: gf and seat 2NT Ogust 2 5 2♠ forcing, nat 3m nat forcing "Constructive" weak Two in * 2NT Ogust 4. okc 5 2 2NT Ogust "Constructive" weak Two in . 4♣ okc 3x forcing nat 2NT Puppet Stayman, 3R Transfer 20-21 Accepting transfer denies 3 card M 3♠ relay to 3NT 2NT - 3♠ - 3NT - 4m optional KC 4♣/♦ transfer to ♥/♠ 3♣ 2NT - 3♣ - 3NT - 4m optional KC 4♥/♠ slam interest corresponding m 3 • preemptive 3 4♣ optional keycard asking for opening suit, for clubs 4 3. 3NT \boxtimes Gambling 4. 4♦ keycard asking for clubs High level bidding preemptive 14/30, placed kings 4 _ (6)7Exclusion 14/30 4 preemptive 4 Non serious 3NT 4NT X 4m always optional keycard if gf established and m fit 5-5 minors **5**♣